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SUBJECT: FORM FS-257

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1. IN GENERAL BELIEVE IT BAD IDEA TO REPLACE SHORT, SIMPLE FORMS WITH LONGER MORE COMPLICATED ONES. ABOLISHMENT OF FORMS FS 257 WOULD HAMPER OUR NIV ACTIVITY.

2. AT PRESENT POST USES FS 257 FORMS EXCLUSIVELY. SINCE VAST MAJORITY VISA APPLICANTS CAN NEITHER READ NOR WRITE ENGLISH, OUR VISA CLERK MUST TYPE IN REQUIRED INFORMATION. USE OF LONGER FORM WOULD SUBSTANTIALLY INCREASE CLERK'S WORKLOAD, VISA PROCESSING TIME, AND WAITING ROOM CONGESTION. TIME SAVED DURING VISA INTERVIEWS WOULD BE MARGINAL. IN ADDITION THERE WOULD BE A FILING PROBLEM BECAUSE THE 257A FORM IS BULKIER AND MUCH MORE DIFFICULT TO FILE AND RETRIEVE THAN THE FS257. MUCH MORE STORAGE SPACE WOULD BE NEEDED.

3. DURING PERIOD OF INCREASING VISA WORKLOADS WORLDWIDE, DEPARTMENT SHOULD BE TAKING STEPS TO STREAMLINE AND FACILITATE VISA ISSUING PROCEDURES. BELIEVE PROPOSED ABOLITION OF FS-257 AND PROPOSED SUBSTITUTION OF LOB WITH MICROFICHE READERS ARE BOTH STEPS IN THE WRONG DIRECTION.
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